

prise and donation and also reception as pastor. I am told that a very pleasant time was spent by all. Wish that I might have been at home at the time, that I could have shared the happy event.

On March 1, late in the evening, a large number of my friends, including wife and son, gave your humble servant a genuine *surprise*. It was the first and only real surprise I ever had, suffice it to say it was a surprise. The company numbered 96, or perhaps a few more. All seemed to have a good time, none more so than the writer and his wife and son. We were very grateful for the kind friendship manifested by all.

Those desiring evangelistic work done in the Illiokota district can write me and I will try and help them if possible. I am doing this for awhile to assist the district evangelist, Brother Talley.

Z. T. LIVENGOOD.

Stanley, Wisconsin

February 21 wife and I went about fifteen miles east and south of home. Had meeting that evening, 22nd and 23rd.

At the Sunday-school convention for the Northern District of Clark Co., Wis., had a good time, became acquainted with some of the Sunday-school workers of this district. It was a good place to be. "Lesson Preparation" and "Personal Work" were very interesting. The meetings were well conducted and a credit to the district and to those who had it in charge. Sunday evening I had the pleasure of receiving three into the Brethren church from the G. B. church. They are good worthy members and we all rejoice to have them with us. But we need, yea must have more laborers in the field. "The Harvest is Ripe" Pray, brethren and sisters that God will send forth laborers into the harvest. We do so much need some one to help us here in this great field. We are in peace, blessed peace, the work is growing, the calls are many. May God bless the little band here in Wisconsin. May peace be our watch-word and his love bind us together and give us an holy zeal for the cause that we may continue to work until the Master says, "It is enough, come up higher."

F. D. VAN BUREN.

Pleasant Hill, Ohio

It is with pleasure that we come again with our report for the benefit of the readers of the EVANGELIST. Well we are now preparing to go to our appointment at Gretna, Ohio. We begun our protracted meeting here February 26, preaching every night and twice on Sundays until March 13, but the odds were against us here in our meeting, first there was a revival in progress at the Christian church during the first week, then the second week the weather was possibly the worst that we have had this winter. A number of the members were sick and could not attend. It was the desire of some that we secure some one to hold this meeting, but we failed in that so we had to begin the work alone. We told the church that if they would do as much for the pastor as they would for some strange man, in speaking favorable of him, in holding up his hands, in working and praying for the success of the meeting, that I would insure them that we would have success, but if they failed to attend themselves and thereby discourage the pastor then I could not think that victory would perch itself on our banner. We entered on the work feeling that this was the third protracted meeting that we had held here, that we are not much of a drawing card here any more, and with so many disadvantages to meet with I must confess that I became somewhat discouraged and felt my weakness as never before, but as we lost sight of self and just trusted God the clouds began to break away and the sunlight of God's righteousness began to shine in on us, and souls began to come home to Christ.

On Thursday night I witnessed as beautiful a sight as I ever did in all my experiences in my church work. When the invitation song was being

sung four young people came out, two young men and two young women, model young people of the community. We wish to thank the brethren and sisters and all co laborers for their faithfulness in this meeting and as a result of our meeting the church is revived spiritually, and a dark cloud that has hung over her for the last two years is removed. Therefore peace and joy reign within her walls. Immediate results, six added to the church, with several near the kingdom.

M. S. WHITE.

Trans-Missouri Flashes and General Observations

I have observed that flattery is often given and accepted for kindness. This is a big and very injurious mistake. It is one of the most cunning deceptions the devil has ever invented to rob Christ of his honor and power. Merited praise given for the sake of encouragement is all right.

"Quiet Observer" writes wholesome articles. All should read them. This is not flattery.

A character graced with love and humility is the grandest possible.

A person who displays good manners and courtesy among strangers, but not at home lacks moral character.

Men cannot be good Christians without good manners. Some Christians are like rifles—more noise than depth. This does not apply to Christians only.

Heart religion means heart culture and refinement. It is true that heart religion can be felt. It is true that heart religion can be felt. It is equally true that it can be seen. See Matt. 5:14, 15, 16.

Mrs. Nation is a forerunner. Grand achievements will follow, and the cowardly law executive must be buried never to rise again. At least he ought to be.

Some people won't work and vote for temperance because some who do are hypocrites. Do you treat ordinary morality and the religion of Jesus in the same manner?

The young man of today constitutes one of the mighty problems of today. Who is able to solve it? It ought to be solved in the home, in the school, in society, in the state, in the church. The problem of the "coming woman" is discussed much. But what about the coming man? Is he to mock at religion and be an infidel? Is he to retard, or possibly demolish, the sacred and refining influences of home, society, church and state? Let parents, teachers, preachers and all good institutions wake up and solve this mighty problem.

The Christian religion does not antagonize proper moral amusements. To many minds and hearts this life would be a dreary waste without them. Philosophy, science, business and morality are all great and grand factors in developing the real object of human life; but, outside of God nothing flourishes of itself. Admixture is one of nature's demands. Somethings, however, such as oil and water won't mix. "The wise shall understand."

W. J. H. BAUMAN.

Morrill, Kans.

Goshen, Ind.

It seems so hard to believe that brother Levi Fisher is dead. In his death I lose a friend, and the church one of its most loyal supporters. We will miss him at our union meetings and to go to Gravelton and not see Brother Fisher is too sad to believe. God bless and comfort Sister Fisher. How the hope to meet again lightens the sorrow.

To the isolated members of the Brethren church of Indiana: Don't think because you are away from the church in which you hold your membership that you are free from all responsibility. It seems very selfish to me to say I don't get to any of the services, so I won't give anything to the support of the church. All the more reason why you should give; if you are not doing anything else

you should give money; others give time, influence, money and all. What do you give? We can only win great victories when we are ready to give our time, money, influence, our all for the cause. Some are doing this. Will you?

Don't forget our union meeting at Dunlaps the first Thursday in April. Nappanee, come and tell us about your great victory. Gravelton, Brother Fisher has fallen, see that his place is filled. Go forward. We missed Brother Miller and Ettlines from New Paris the last time. Don't let Brother Leedy's come alone again. We expect a good attendance from the other points on the electric line. Brother Braker from South Bend said he would come. He is a host as a musician. We look for you. Brother Druckamiller, of Syracuse be sure and come and bring others. Let us have a glorious time. Brother Marks, don't forget how you love the union meetings.

North Liberty, our mission point is moving forward. We organized a Sunnyside school last Sunday with a splendid set of officers (all we lack is the school or scholars) and they are going to hunt them up. The few members are working, praying and paying. We had our largest congregation last Sunday night that I ever attended. We expect victory some time. Brother Daniel Steele and I want to live to see it.

Darwin is going thru a baptism of fire. Let us all pray that they may come out cleansed and purified. They have a fine church building, good location. Had too many generals, not enough privates. They must learn that he who would be great in the kingdom must be the servant of all. There is some gold here, may the fire cleanse it.

Flora. This place like Darwin is new to me. My sickness kept me from these places. I began meeting some time in February, continued two weeks with one applicant for baptism when I had to quit. Sent for Brother Braker who continued for some time but sickness and mud hindered the work. I have not learned of his success as I came home before he closed. There is good material here, some earnest workers. Pray that we may develop more of them. They are here.

I missed Claypool last month. Hope to see them soon. They need a good revivalist here. Who will come? They are looking forward to the ministerial meeting here in June. We hope for a good attendance. Don't disappoint them. You will find some of them always present. If it is possible to be their homes are open.

New Highland and Zanesville, what reason will you give to God why you are not having regular services? Brother Rensch is having bad roads and bad weather for meeting in Goshen. We hoped to attend, but the roads are terribly bad and raining or snowing all week. I am missing a grand treat. It always helps me to hear Brother Rensch preach.

A. S. MENAUGH.

Morrison's Cove Items

On Saturday, 16, inst., I left home for a drive of twenty-two miles to Langdonale where I held my last series of meetings which has already been reported. Here I found a lady very sick, suffering with internal cancer, she had been given up twice during the week to die; she accepted of the Lord as her leader, and I prayed for her and laid on hands according to Mark 16:18. And on Monday morning she was at the breakfast table with the family; having been confined to her bed for four weeks and in the afternoon of the same day she was the first one to go down into a beautiful mountain stream and receive Christian baptism. On Sunday, the 17, inst., I made a circuit of eighteen miles over very muddy roads preaching at Fairview in the morning; then at Liberty at 3 o'clock which was an appointment for regular service, but when we reached there a funeral procession had just arrived and we assisted in the funeral service. Eli Reed aged 59 years, was a member of the G. B. church and his wife and two daughters were members of the Brethren church. His wife accompanied